(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the measures taken for safety of the Indian living in Iraq and other Gulf countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI VINOD KHANNA): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Government has prepared a contingency plan for evacuation of Indians from Kuwait, if necessary. Indian Embassies in Gulf countries have been actively looking after the welfare of the Indian communities.

**Indus Water Treaty**

3650. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Jammu and Kashmir Assembly has passed a resolution urging upon the Central Government to review the Indus Water Treaty between India and Pakistan;

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto;

(c) whether it is proposed to take up the matter with Pakistan; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) Legislative Council of J and K State has passed the following resolution on 3rd March 2003:-

> "This house recommends to the Central Government that Indus Water Treaty be reviwed keeping in view the interest of the Jammu and Kashmir State".

(b) to (d) Projects in the hydropower and irrigation sectors have been taken up for implementation in the State of J and K within the provisions of the Indus Water Treaty and Government continues to take appropriate and necessary actions in this regard.

**Activities of ISI in the Country**

3651. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have any evidence to prove that spur in

bomb blasts in the country during the last few months is at the behest of the Pakistan agency ISI;

(b) if so, whether Government have protested to Pakistan about the nefavious activities of ISI in India and/or any other international forum;

(c) If so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) It is a well-known fact that Pakistani agencies have been continuously supporting and sponsoring terrorist groups based in Pakistan to carry out subversive and terrorist activities in India, including in J & K.

The Pakistani State and its agencies continue to use terrorism as an instrument of policy and continue to sponsor the breeding and indoctrination of armed irregulars for carrying out subversive and terrorist activities elsewhere, including in neighbouring countries.

(b) to (d) Government have made it clear that Pakistan's continued sponsorship of cross border infiltration and terrorism is unacceptable, and that Government would take the necessary measures to eradicate terrorism directed against India. Government have also been continuously taking appropriate and effective steps to apprise the international community of Pakistan's continued support and sponsorship of cross border terrorism and infiltration into India. Many countries have called upon Pakistan to end cross border terrorism and infiltration into India on a permanent basis, to dismantle infrastructure of support to terrorism, and to stop acting as platform for international terrorism.

**Gurdwaras in Pakistan**

3652. SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the historical Gurdwaras in Pakistan are not maintained properly and require extensive maintenance and repair; and